

Messrs. Cuff Sheppard, Bowler, New H. Perkins,  
Bynon, Pringle, H. Newton & March-  
Dr Foster having summed up the votes were taken  
when eight (8) voted for the motion and  
twenty against it.

The meeting closed in the usual manner.

Read & Confirmed the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1865

Chas. L. Vinton  
Chairman

Congregational Church  
Thursday July 20/65.

The Society met at the usual hour Dr Foster  
in the Chair.

Present Messrs H. Newton, W. Newton March  
Bowler, Guthrie Bynon, Lewis, Woodham  
Lyster, Hewitt, Cox, Rev. Morley Hanson  
C. B. Winter, Goodford Junr. J. Baker  
Tomison Junr. A. Bennetts Grimes  
Sheppard, Pringle, Augustus Penitt,  
Rev. J. Pyraman.

The meeting opened with prayer -

The minutes of last meeting having been read and  
confirmed, the following gentlemen were then elected  
members Messrs Jas. Gault, A. Duncan, C. M. Allwar,  
J. B. Baker, W. Bishop, B. Dewsbury,  
Spencer Penitt, Albert Cuff, W. Hay.

Mr Cuff was not elected.

Mr R. W. Morley proposed, & J. Page seconded  
that Mr A. W. Manly be a member of the Society  
Mr Newton then brought forward the question

"That Great Britain is the most warlike civilized  
Nation in the world" opening it in the affirmative.  
He was supported in the affirmative by Messrs Bowler  
Morley & H. Newton and opposed by Messrs Bynon  
Sheppard, Pringle Winter & Rev. J. Pyraman.  
Mr Newton replied and the Chairman having  
summed up the vote was taken when 12 voted  
in the affirmative and 5 in the negative.

Mr Morley agreed to propose the next question "That  
Milton is a greater poet than Shakespeare"

Meeting closed in the usual manner

Read & Confirmed on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 1865

Wm. J. Habens Chairman